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MANILA FOR TEXTILE DELEGATION

C O R R E C T E D COPY(PARA B. FIRST LINE TEXT OMITTED)

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SUBJECT: TEXTILE AGREEMENT

REF: BANGKOK 2414

A. NEW TEXTILE CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM IMPLEMENTED BY US ON
JANUARY 1 NECESSITATES CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO US-THAI
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TEXTILE AGREEMENT FOR FINAL AGREEMENT YEAR. DRAFT NOTE
SET OUT IN PART B BELOW IS AN AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT
SETTING OUT CHANGES WHICH WE BELIEVE ARE NEEDED. PROBABLY
MOST IMPORTANT PART OF AMENDMENT IS LIST OF NEW SPECIFIC
LIMITS AND CONSULTATION LEVELS (PARAS 2 AND 3 OF DRAFT).
THESE PROPOSED LEVELS REPRESENT OUR ESTIMATE OF AMOUNTS
NEEDED IN THESE NEW CATEGORIES TO PROVIDE THAILAND WITH
SAME NUMERICAL ACCESS AND FLEXIBILITY AS THEY WOULD
HAVE HAD IF NEW CATEGORY SYSTEM HAD NOT BEEN IMPLEMENTED.
PLEASE PROVIDE DRAFT TEXT TO RTG FOR THEIR REVIEW. ANY

COMMENTS SHOULD BE REPORTED TELEGRAPHICALLY. IF RTG ACCEPTS DRAFT WITHOUT CHANGE, EMBASSY IS AUTHORIZED TO EXCHANGE NOTES (OR LETTERS IF RTG STRONGLY PREFERS AND DELAY WOULD BE AVOIDED) AS SET OUT PART B.

B. BEGIN TEXT:

--- I (HAVE THE HONOR TO) REFER TO THE BILATERAL AGREEMENT ON TRADE IN COTTON, WOOL AND MAN-MADE FIBER TEXTILES AND TEXTILE PRODUCTS OF DECEMBER 29, 1975, BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS, AS AMENDED, (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE AGREEMENT). I WISH TO PROPOSE THAT THE AGREEMENT BE FURTHER AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

-- 1. PARAGRAPH 3 OF THE AGREEMENT IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

-- "WITHIN THE AGGREGATE LIMIT FOR THE THIRD AGREEMENT
-- YEAR THE FOLLOWING GROUP LIMITS SHALL APPLY:
-- GROUP I - NON-APPAREL (CATEGORIES 300-301, 310-320,
-- 600-605, 610-614, 625-627, 655, 666, 669).
-- 21,000,000 SQUARE YARDS EQUIVALENT.

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-- GROUP II - APPAREL (CATEGORIES 330-345, 347-352,
-- 359, 431-436, 438, 440, 442-459, 630-652, 659).
-- 53,000,000 SQUARE YARDS EQUIVALENT."

-- 2. PARAGRAPH 4 OF THE AGREEMENT IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

-- "WITHIN THE GROUP LIMIT FOR GROUP II, THE FOLLOWING
-- SPECIFIC LIMITS SHALL APPLY FOR THE THIRD AGREEMENT
-- YEAR:

-- SPECIFIC LIMIT
-- CATEGORY UNIT IN UNITS IN SQUARE YARDS
-- EQUIVALENT
-- 340 DOZ. 71,556 1,717,350
-- 634 DOZ. 123,244 5,089,977
-- 635 DOZ. 139,055 5,742,972
-- 639 DOZ. 866,511 12,997,665
-- 645/646 DOZ. 52,890 1,946,352
-- 647/648 DOZ. 323,339 5,755,434

-- 3. ANNEX A TO THE AGREEMENT IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

-- "DESIGNATED ANNUAL CONSULTATION LEVELS PURSUANT
-- TO PARAGRAPH 6 OF THE AGREEMENT

-- CATEGORY LEVEL
-- 313 2,500,000 SQUARE YARDS
-- 314 3,900,000 SQUARE YARDS

-- 315 4,200,000 SQUARE YARDS
-- 317 3,800,000 SQUARE YARDS
-- 319 2,300,000 SQUARE YARDS
-- 320 5,500,000 SQUARE YARDS
-- 338 1,400,000 SQUARE YARDS
-- 339 1,300,000 SQUARE YARDS

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-- 341 900,000 SYE
-- 347 900,000 SYE
-- 351 2,500,000 SQUARE YARDS
-- 613 3,400,000 SQUARE YARDS
-- 640 1,500,000 SYE

-- 4. ANNEX B TO THE AGREEMENT IS DELETED AND THE
ANNEX TO THIS AMENDMENT IS SUBSTITUTED THEREFOR.

-- 5. SUBPARAGRAPH 11(A) OF THE AGREEMENT IS AMENDED
TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

-- "IN IMPLEMENTING THIS AGREEMENT, THE SYSTEM
-- OF CATEGORIES AND THE RATES OF CONVERSION INTO SQUARE
-- YARDS EQUIVALENT LISTED IN ANNEX B HERETO SHALL APPLY,
-- EXCEPT THAT, FOR PURPOSES OF THIS AGREEMENT, AND IN
-- RECOGNITION OF THE PATTERNS OF TRADE OF THAILAND WITH
-- THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE GROUPS OF CATEGORIES
-- SET OUT BELOW ARE MERGED AND TREATED AS SINGLE
-- CATEGORIES.

-- CATEGORIES MERGED DESIGNATION IN AGREEMENT
-- 645, 646 645/646
-- 647, 648 647/648

-- IF THIS PROPOSAL IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE ROYAL THAI
GOVERNMENT, THIS (NOTE) (LETTER) AND YOUR (NOTE (LETTER)
OF CONFIRMATION ON BEHALF OF THE ROYAL THAI GOVERNMENT
SHALL CONSTITUTE AN AMENDMENT OF THE AGREEMENT.

-- (COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE).

-- ANNEX
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CATEGORY DESCRIPTION CONVERSION UNIT OF

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--          FACTOR  MEASURE
--  YARN
--  -- COTTON
300    CARDED      4.6    LB.
301    COMBED      4.6    LB.
--  -- WOOL
400    TOPS AND YARN  2.0    LB.

--  -- MAN-MADE FIBER
600    TEXTURED    3.5    LB.
601    CONT. CELLULOSIC  5.2    LB.
602    CONT. NONCELLULOSIC 11.6    LB.
603    SPUN CELLULOSIC  3.4    LB.
604    SPUN NONCELLULOSIC 4.1    LB.
605    OTHER YARNS     3.5    LB.
--  FABRIC
--  -- COTTON
310    GINGHAMS     1.0    SYD
311    VELVETEENS   1.0    SYD
312    CORDUROY     1.0    SYD
313    SHEETING     1.0    SYD
314    BROADCLOTH   1.0    SYD
315    PRINTCLOTHS  1.0    SYD
316    SHIRTINGS    1.0    SYD
317    TWILLS AND SATEENS 1.0    SYD
318    YARN-DYED    1.0    SYD
319    DUCK         1.0    SYD
320    OTHER FABRICS, N.K. 1.0    SYD
--  -- WOOL
410    WOOLENS AND WORSTED 1.0    SYD
411    TAPESTRIES AND
--    UPHOLSTERY    1.0    SYD
425    KNIT         2.0    LB.
429    OTHER FABRICS  1.0    SYD
--  -- MAN-MADE FIBER
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610    CONT. CELLULOSIC, N.K. 1.0    SYD
611    SPUN CELLULOSIC, N.K. 1.0    SYD
612    CONT. NONCELLULOSIC, N.K. 1.0    SYD
613    SPUN NONCELLULOSIC, N.K. 1.0    SYD
614    OTHER FABRICS, N.K. 1.0    SYD
625    KNIT         7.8    LB.
626    PILE AND TUFTED 1.0    SYD
627    SPECIALTY     7.8    LB.
--  APPAREL
--  -- COTTON
330    HANDKERCHIEFS 1.7    DZ.
331    GLOVES        3.5    DPR
332    HOSIERY        4.6    DPR
333    SUIT-TYPE COATS, M AND

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-- B 36.2 DZ.
 334 OTHER COATS, M AND B 41.3 DZ.
 335 COATS, W, G AND I 41.3 DZ.

 336 DRESSES (INC. UNIFORMS) 45.3 DZ.
 337 PLAYSUITS, SUNSUITS,
 -- WASHSUITS, CREEPERS 25.0 DZ.
 338 KNIT SHIRTS, (INC. T-
 -- SHIRTS, OTHER AND
 -- SWEATSHIRTS) M AND B 7.2 DZ.
 339 KNIT SHIRTS AND BLOUSES
 -- (INC. T-SHIRTS, OTHER
 -- AND SWEATSHIRTS) W, G
 -- AND I 7.2 DZ.
 340 SHIRTS, N.K. 24.0 DZ.
 341 BLOUSES, N.K. 14.5 DZ.
 342 SKIRTS 17.8 DZ.
 345 SWEATERS 36.8 DZ.
 347 TROUSERS, SLACKS, AND
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--- SHORTS (OUTER)
 -- M AND B 17.8 DZ.
 348 TROUSERS, SLACKS AND
 -- SHORTS (OUTER) W,
 -- G AND I 17.8 DZ.
 349 BRASSIERES, ETC. 4.8 DZ.
 350 DRESSING GOWNS, INC.
 -- BATHROBES, AND BEACH
 -- ROBES, LOUNGING GOWNS
 -- HOUSE COATS, AND
 -- DUSTERS 51.0 DZ.
 351 PAJAMAS AND OTHER
 -- NIGHTWEAR 52.0 DZ.
 352 UNDERWEAR (INC. UNION
 -- SUITS) 11.0 DZ.
 359 OTHER APPAREL 4.6 LB.
 -- -- WOOL
 431 GLOVES 2.1 DPR
 432 HOSIERY 2.8 DPR
 433 SUIT-TYPE COATS, M AND B 3.0 NO.
 434 OTHER COATS, M AND B 4.5 NO.
 435 COATS, W, G AND I 4.5 NO.
 436 DRESSES 4.1 NO.
 438 KNIT SHIRTS AND BLOUSES 15.0 DZ.
 440 SHIRTS AND BLOUSES, N.K. 24.0 DZ.
 442 SKIRTS 1.5 NO.
 443 SUITS, M AND B 4.5 NO.
 444 SUITS, W, G AND I 4.5 NO.
 445 SWEATERS, M AND B 36.8 DZ.
 446 SWEATERS, W, G AND I 36.8 DZ.

447 TROUSERS, SLACKS, AND
 -- SHORTS (OUTER)
 -- M AND B 1.5 NO.

448 TROUSERS, SLACKS AND
 -- SHORTS (OUTER)
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-- W, G AND I 1.5 NO.
 459 OTHER WOOL APPAREL 2.0 LB.
 -- -- MAN-MADE FIBER
 630 HANDKERCHIEFS 1.7 DZ.
 631 GLOVES 3.5 DPR
 632 HOSIERY 4.6 DPR
 633 SUIT-TYPE COATS,
 -- M AND B 36.2 DZ.
 634 OTHER COATS, M AND B 41.3 DZ.
 635 COATS, W, G AND I 41.3 DZ.
 636 DRESSES 45.3 DZ.
 637 PLAYSUITS, SUNSUITS,
 -- WASHSUITS, ETC. 21.3 DZ.
 638 KNIT SHIRTS, (INC. T-
 -- SHIRTS), M AND B 18.0 DZ.
 639 KNIT SHIRTS AND BLOUSES
 -- (INC. T-SHIRTS), W,
 -- G AND I 15.0 DZ.
 640 SHIRTS, N.K. 24.0 DZ.
 641 BLOUSES, N.K. 14.5 DZ.
 642 SKIRTS 17.8 DZ.
 643 SUITS, M AND B 4.5 NO.
 644 SUITS, W, G AND I 4.5 NO.
 645 SWEATERS, M AND B 36.8 DZ.
 646 SWEATERS, W, G AND I 36.8 DZ.
 647 TROUSERS, SLACKS, AND
 -- SHORTS (OUTER),
 -- M AND B 17.8 DZ.
 648 TROUSERS, SLACKS AND
 -- SHORTS (OUTER), W,
 -- G AND I 17.8 DZ.
 649 BRASSIERES, ETC. 4.8 DZ.
 650 DRESSING GOWNS, INC.
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-- BATH AND BEACH ROBES 51.0 DZ.
 651 PAJAMAS AND OTHER
 -- NIGHTWEAR 52.0 DZ.
 652 UNDERWEAR 16.0 DZ.
 659 OTHER APPAREL 7.8 LB.

-- MADE-UPS AND MISC.

-- -- COTTON

360 PILLOWCASES 1.1 NO.

361 SHEETS 6.2 NO.

362 BEDSPREADS AND QUILTS 6.9 NO.

363 TERRY AND OTHER PILE

-- TOWELS 0.5 NO.

369 OTHER COTTON

-- MANUFACTURES 4.6 LB.

-- -- WOOL

464 BLANKETS AND AUTO ROBES 1.3 LB.

465 FLOOR COVERING 0.1 SFT

469 OTHER WOOL MANUFACTURES 2.0 LB.

-- -- MAN-MADE FIBER

665 FLOOR COVERINGS 0.1 SFT

666 OTHER FURNISHINGS 7.8 LB.

669 OTHER MAN-MADE

-- MANUFACTURES 7.8 LB.

END TEXT.

C. CONCERNING REFTTEL, WE PRESUME TEXTILE DEL IS NOT
PLANNING TO VISIT BANGKOK. THEIR SCHEDULE IS VERY TIGHT;
TEAM IS SCHEDULED TO RETURN TO WASHINGTON ON FEBRUARY 18,
TO BEGIN THIRD ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH TAIWANESE ON
FEBRUARY 21. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ASKING RTG TO GIVE
THEIR PROPOSALS TO EMBASSY FOR TRANSMITTAL TO WASHINGTON.
IF, FOR SOME REASON, THEY PREFER NOT TO TREAT PROPOSALS
IN THIS MANNER, IT WILL PROBABLY BE SOME MONTHS BEFORE ANY
US DEL COULD VISIT BANGKOK; THAIS COULD, OF COURSE, COME
TO WASHINGTON, BUT OUR SCHEDULE HERE IS ALSO FAIRLY
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